

St. Thomas More Parish

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Office hours: Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

New Parishioners are requested to register in the parish by phone or email.



Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
11:30 a.m., 8:00 p.m.
Spanish 2:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m.

Tuesday to Friday 7:00 p.m.

Saturday & Holidays 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Baptism: Contact the parish office. Baptisms are scheduled monthly on the third and fourth Saturdays in English; on the second Saturday in Spanish.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: If any family member with a serious illness or preparing for surgery wishes to celebrate this Sacrament, please call the parish office.

Liturgical Ministries

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| Lectors | Lorna D'Souza | 416-431-7685 |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Clara Peters-Onagoruwa | 416-439-1545 |
| Music Ministry | Donald Torres | 647-449-6583 |
| Altar Servers | Patrick Pillainayagam | stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com |
| Ushers/Greeters | Percy D'Mello | 647-404-5394 |
| Children's Liturgy of the Word | Nardina Grande | 416-419-8254 |
| Communion to the Sick | Hy Francis | 416-284-7851 |

Schools

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| St. Thomas More Elementary School | 2300 Ellesmere Road | 416-393-5322 |
| St. Edmund Campion Elementary School | 30 Highcastle Road | 416-393-5356 |
| St. John Paul II Secondary School | 685 Military Trail | 416-393-5531 |

Youth Ministry

Youth Minister

Mel Perpose.....melperpose@gmail.com

Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....stmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups

Parish Council

Clara Peters-Onagoruwa.....416-439-1545

Finance Council

Alan King.....416-284-7190

Screening Committee

Parish office.....416-439-1545

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Martel Gordon-Tennant.....416-439-7827

Making a Choice

The Readings today make it clear that we have a choice to make: follow the ways of God or follows the ways of the world. Jeremiah and St. Paul are giving us insight and advice to help us. We see the importance of living our truth in faith, and we hear the importance of including our minds, our *thinking* minds, with our whole being. We are living the paradox of being in the world but not of the world. Jesus is telling us that our very lives depend on how we choose. Is it really and either/or situation, or rather a both/and? How do we follow God while being in the world?

Following God, generally, will fill us with feelings of peace: our sense of hope expands, our hearts become wider and deeper, and we are inspired to be even more generous. Following the world often leaves us feeling inadequate, insecure, fearful, desperate; competing for attention and material acquisition; hoarding success and our possessions.

Jesus is saying there is a sense of urgency about the choice we have to make. It is a choice we make daily. It is crucial we pay attention to what is in our hearts – the feelings that result from following God or the feelings that result from confirming to this world. For *whose* sake are we *really* living?

Adapted from Living with Christ
Adriana Rerecich, Hamilton, ON

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Please note that on Monday, September 4 (Labour Day) Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. only and the parish office will be closed for the holiday.

Mass Intentions for September 2 - 9, 2023

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| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | Intentions of Paul Myers |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | +Paul Vaz, requested by J. & H. D'Mello |
| | 10:00 a.m. | +James Joven and Antonio Carlos, requested by the family |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Intentions of the Parish community |
| | 8:00 p.m. | Intentions of the parish Lectors |
| Monday | 9:00 a.m. | Intentions of Cathy Dessailly |
| Tuesday | 7:30 a.m. | Intentions of Cathy Dessailly |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Anna De Maio, requested by the family |
| | | +Juana Espiritu, requested by the family |
| | | In thanksgiving, Nolita Marin |
| | | Intentions of Mary Abraham, Neal and Helena Marin |
| | | +Elizabeth and Maria Marin |
| | | +Souls in purgatory, requested by N. Marin |
| | | +Arokiamary Elias, requested by Cynthia & Prasad |
| Wednesday | 7:30 a.m. | +Bernice McNamara and Joe Fox, requested by the family |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo |
| Thursday | 7:30 a.m. | Intentions of McLeod Robin |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Marietta Pascual, requested by P. Patel |
| | | +Nieves Trono, requested by the family |
| | | +Selina and Philomena Fernandes, requested by the family |
| | | Intentions of Cathy Dessailly |
| | | +Lucila Marquez, requested by the family |
| +Bill Long, requested by the Francis family | | |
| Friday | 7:30 a.m. | +Joe O'Reilly, requested by the family |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Chin-Sen-Huang, requested by the family |
| Saturday | 9:00 a.m. | +Kantahen Dhrona, requested by the Dessailly family |

Annual Food Bazaar

Saturday, September 9 at 9:30 a.m.



ome to our Parish Food Bazaar on Sat., Sept. 9 starting at 9:30 a.m. and taste the foods from many cuisines from around the world! There will be foods from many countries available for purchase. This is a fundraiser for the Parish Campaign. We are also requesting sponsors to come forth to help with our fundraising.

Mass Intentions

Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Masses

We have received permission from the Archdiocese to celebrate multiple intentions for the 7:00 p.m. Tuesday evening Masses. Please call the parish office (416-439-1545) to schedule your Mass intentions for these days.

Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael and Conferral of the Pallium upon the Most Rev. Francis Leo

Friday, September 29 at 5:30 p.m.

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrates the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Fri., Sept. 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

Sacramental Prep News

Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Please watch the bulletin for dates for the Fall registration.

CONFIRMATION

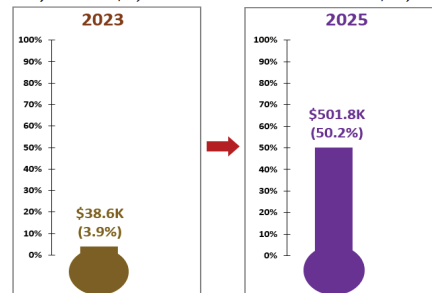
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R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

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PARISH CAMPAIGN as of June 18, 2023

Parish Campaign Donation Thermometer
Goal = \$1,000,000
Today's Donation = \$38,599



Prayers Needed for the Sick


We are praying for the sick of our parish: Daphne Louis, Claire Alles, Josephine and Navene Habr, Ana Lisa Patena, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Sharmi Basnayaha, Conrad and Bertha Rodrigues, Ellie and Lina Vitello. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Euchre Night


St. Joseph's Parish on Fri. Sept. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

A Euchre Night will be held on Fri., Sept. 15 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Parish (Moorish and Old Kingston Roads) sponsored by the 50+ Club. Please call Gloria at 416-286-4878 for tickets since seating is limited. Prizes and refreshments will be offered.

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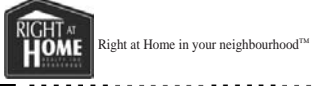
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